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EXAMINING GROUP 2877
PATENT APPLICATION

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For: SCANNING EXPOSURE METHOD AND)
APPARATUS, AND DEVICE : April 2, 2003
MANUFACTURING METHOD USING )
THE SAME :

The Commissioner for Patents

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## **AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

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## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This Amendment has been prepared in accordance with the Revised Format established by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, as permitted in the Pre-OG Notice dated February 4, 2003, and entitled "Amendments in a Revised Format Now Permitted," a copy of which is attached.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows in response to the Official Action dated January 2, 2003: